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COCHIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Thursday,

12th August 1937.
28th Karkadagam 1112.

The Council met in the Council Hall, Ernakulam, at Eleven of the Clock with the Hon'ble the President (Sir Shanmukham Chetty, K. C. I. E.) in the Chair.

Messrs. C. P. Lonappan, T. S. Balarama Ayyar, M. Sivarama Menon, P. Raman Menon, Popatlal Goverdhan Lalan and K. Krishna Warriar were absent.

Questions and Answers.

Masonry drains—Wadakkancheri—particulars regarding.

161. Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Wadakkancheri).*— Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether masonry drains in front of and to the north of the public offices in Wadakkancheri have not been constructed during the years 1111 and 1112;

(b) whether due to want of proper gradient and plastering filthy water and other rubbish do not get collected in the drain;

(c) whether the whole area on the side of these drains is not filled with occupied buildings;

(d) whether these drains are covered?

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Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon (*Chief Engineer*).—

(a) Yes.

(b) Proper gradient has been given and cement pointing done to flooring and side walls.

(c) Yes.

(d) No.

Mr P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan (*Wadakkancheri*).—May I know whether this work of construction of drains in Wadakkancheri has been done by the Department of the Chief Engineer or by the department of Public Health and Panchayats?

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar (*Secretary to Government*).—By the Public Works Department.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan (*Wadakkancheri*).—I want to know whether the Government is in a position to answer the latter part of my question (b)?

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar (*Secretary to Government*).—Government have no information of any filthy water being collected there.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan (*Wadakkancheri*).—May I know whether any inquiry as to the exact condition of the drain was made by Government subsequent to the receipt of the question?

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar (*Secretary to Government*).—No.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan (*Wadakkancheri*).—May I know why it has not been done?

Mr. President.—Sufficient inquiry would have been made before giving the answer.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim (*Cranganur*).—May I know whether it is not incumbent upon the Government to make an inquiry?

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar (*Secretary to Government*).—Proper inquiry was made before answering this question.

Dr. E. S. R. Menon (*Director of Public Health and Panchayats*).—The answer is given there because no filthy water is being collected there.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan (*Wadakkancheri*).—(d) May I know what is the width of this drain?

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Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar *(Secretary to Government)*.—I want notice.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Wadakkancheri)*.—Does the Government realise that people find it difficult to go to the shop fronts on the eastern side of the drain because of the fact that the drain is not covered. There was no accident there.

Mr. President.—The Chief Engineer is unavoidably absent and hence the details cannot be given.

Public Offices—Wadakkancheri—buildings for.

162. Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Wadakkancheri)*.—Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(a) the names of public offices in Wadakkancheri held in rented buildings;

(b) what is the annual rent paid for the buildings in (a);

(c) what will be the approximate cost to the Government to house these offices in suitable Government buildings?

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar *(Secretary to Government)*.—

(a) and (b). See Appendix *(Appendix I)*.

(c) Rs. 10,000.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Wadakkancheri)*.—May I know in view of the comparatively low cost for constructing buildings for housing these five offices held now in rented buildings costing the Government Rs. 546, will the Government be pleased to consider the question of putting up public buildings at this low cost of Rs. 10,000? It is only a suggestion.

Mr. K. T. Mathew *(Kunnamkulam)*.—What is the principle that is being followed by Government in locating public offices at a certain place?

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar *(Secretary to Government)*.—It must be convenient to all the public.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Wadakkancheri)*.—May I know whether the office of the Deputy Inspector of Schools, item 4 in Appendix I, is not situated at a high level that you have to go 50 steps in three stages?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction)*.—Government could not find out a better place. With regard to

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APPENDIX I.

(Question No. 162)

List of Public Offices in Wadakkancheri held in rented buildings.

	Name of office	Annual rent Rs. A. P.
1	Sanitary Inspector's Office Wadakkancheri Town	96—0—0
2	Veterinary Hospital, Wadakkancheri	180—0—0
3	Co-operative Inspector's Office	60—0—0
4	Office of the Deputy Inspector of schools	120—0—0
5	Excise Sub-Inspector's Office, Wadakkancheri	90—0—0
	Total	546—0—0

APPENDIX II.

(Question No. 180).

Primary Boys'.

Chittur Taluk.

1 S N M School, Nallamadenchalla

Talapally Taluk.

2 L M School, Perumpilavu
3 U V School, Kunnamkulam
4 D S School, Pazhunnana
5 Aided School, Perumthuruthy
6 St. Thomas' School, Koonamuchi
7 Vernacular School, West Mangad
8 Do Kizhur
9 M T School, Chowwannur
10 B V School, Pynkulam
11 Samajam School, Eyyal
12 Excelsior School, Kandanasseri
13 B M P Vidyalayam, Kanjirakode
14 S K V School, Potta
15 M T School, Palanji
16 S M School, Eringapuram
17 St. Thomas' School, Parannur
18 M G M School, Marathencode
19 T K R M School, Thayyur
20 Aided School, Vadakkethara
21 A N M M School, Trichur
22 Z M School, Kolazhy
23 Church School, Manalur

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